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of summer vagabondage. He took it quietly and good natured-262 ly, but it went deep. His mother found out the custom Stratford Avenue shortly and forbade him to go near

> As for De Peyster himself, the numbness of despair settled upon him. Now he could never learn to redeem himself, to have some day perhaps the ineffable joy of being the first in, ahead of Jimmy Spratt, ahead of Micky Daly, ahead of everybody. His career was ended before it had begun.

"But I got to not let her worry." was the rueful conclusion he always reached. And then he breathed hard and winked fast.

Jimmy was his constant friend and brought him alleviating messages from time to time, such as that "the other fellers all say he has lots of sand and kin do as well as the next feller if he has half a chance."

When even these encouraging remarks ceased to comfort, he gave him his own horned toad as a last desperate resort. The effect was wonderful-

ly efficacious, but transitory. "I'd oughter been a girl," said De Peyster many times to himself, "but I wish she didn't want to make believe

am one when I ain't." This was the nearest to a reproach that he allowed his loyal little heart to entertain, but a baffled, unchildlike look grew in his eyes as he watched his mates go off without him day after

LUBBER

By Grace H. Boutelle

LAST

points to a mutual harmony.

his would look at him now.

you, she's so little and delicate." And

then he had whispered over two or

three times, "My pretty little wife, my

And De Peyster had tried with all

his might to remember. But often it

did seem as if it would have been a

little easier if she could have under-

stood that one was disgraced if one

did not keep neck and neck with "the

other fellows" in every prank they

There was a long and weary period

of doorvard discipline after this epi-

sode. There were a good many times

when De Peyster had to clinch his

fists as tight as he could and remem-

By and by June came, quivering

with gold green sunlight, perfumed

with a universal blossoming and pun-

gent with the joy of living. At this

time every true joy thrills with the half realized rapture of it all and finds

the fullest expression of his ecstasy

Every bright morning in some part

of the town there was sure to be a group of boys toeing a line, their necks

bobbing eagerly forward and their

bodies giving anticipatory jerks and

twitches as they waited for the word.

When the leader said "Go!" they dart-

ed forth, and there was a kaleidoscop-

ic and dissolving view of legs racing

madly down a side street that led to

the river. Then collars came off, coats

followed, as they ran with undimin-

ished speed, the fellow who was far-

thest ahead sometimes slowing up

with magnificent daring to get off his

shoes and stockings while the others

were still hampered by shirts and

trousers, and by the time they tumbled

in headlong competition over the bank the nimblest carried their entire wardrobe on their arms and flashed white-

ly into the water while the laggers

fumbled at their shoe lacings. The

unfortunate who popped into the river,

flushed and panting, after all the rest

were in was greeted with taunting

De Peyster had never been told not to go in swimming. It had not oc-

cries of: "Lubber last! Lubber last!"

curred to his mother as among the

list of his possible perils, as she was

in blissful ignorance of the fact that

So it was with the thrilling exult-

ance of the Greek runner that he set

his toe on the line with the rest and

hurled himself forward, head up and

The first few rods it felt like flying.

His feet scarcely seemed to touch the

ground. Then a pair of legs flashed

by him, and another and another. He

gathered his strength and shot for-

ward again, but another pair of legs

They were tearing off their coats;

they were stripping off their shirts.

He felt at his collar, wrenched it off

and flung it away, to have both hands free for his coat and shirt. They were

almost at the bank now. He could see Micky Daly's white skin dazzle in the

sun as he took a splendid dive ahead

of the rest. His own feet were grow-

ing heavy, and there was a mist be-

fore his eyes. The knot in his shoe

hampering shoe, he would scarcely

left on. As he struggled and per-

spired and agonized the two or three

whom he had distanced leaped past

air ringing with "Lubber last! Lub-

ber last!" and slowly realized that it

He tried manfully two or three other

days, but it was always the same way.

His muscles were flabby from the

doorvard discipline, and he could not

pick up in a few weeks what the oth-

ers had acquired through joyous years

was meant for him.

went by, and another and another.

"the other fellows" did it.

elbows in.

ber his father very hard.

in going swimming.

flames died down?

dear little girl!"

played.

In July a light epidemic of scarlet fever prevailed. The oldest inhabitants called it "walking scarlatina," the illness was so slight.

Mrs. Van Voort kept De Peyster in VER since they had come to One day De Peyster caught it.

Perkinsville De Peyster and He regarded it rather in the nature his mother had failed to adof a festal occurrence than otherwise, just their respective standfor all the boys who had had it came up to see him, and, although they To begin with, it was spring. With were not allowed to stand long, it the delicious odor of resinous smoke cheered him amazingly to hear what from the boughs that had banked the they were doing, for he had constantly the hope that these new delights they house assailing one's nostrils, who told of one after another would not be could resist joining the dancing silon the forbidden list when he was out houettes that circled the bonfire and daring one's fate by leaping across it

But after awhile he did not seem to in swaggering competition as the care whether they came or not and one day when told that Micky Daly But she drew lurid pictures of his waited below said languidly: "I guess certain fate if he should repeat the I don't care about seeing him just now. I'm sorter tired, but tell him it'll offense. Blind defiance rose insurgent be bully to have him come tomorrow.' within him. He would go. And then But when tomorrow came no one all of a sudden he remembered what was admitted, for he was tossing about his father said and hung his head to in a weakening struggle with somethink how those grave, kind eyes of thing he did not understand that those who watched by him realized only too "Take good care of mamma," he had

said at the last. "You must be her big He heard a voice as if from very far brother and never let her worry about

"You'd better tell him, doctor," it said. "I can't stand it to see him fight for his life like a little Trojan when it isn't any use."

The voice broke and then went on: "He's a brave little chap, brave enough to face anything, and it isn't treating him square not to let him say goodby.

De Peyster opened his eyes. doctor was standing over him. "You don't have to tell me," said De Peyster, for he dimly saw that the old doctor's lips were quivering. "1guess-I know."

He felt for his mother's hand. "I'd like to hear you sing just once first, mamsie," he said.

"There's a bully song one of the fellers taught me, 'One Wide River.' I've liked it specially much since-since it worrled you to have me go in swim-

His mother sobbed out a few lines, faltered and stopped. A look of patient disappointment

came over his face.
"Never mind, mainsie; you needn't," he gasped. "I'm going to see it, you know, so it don't matter. Won't the cool water feel good, though! And don't you worry, mamsie. Who's afraid? Father 'll find me!"

He lay quite still a moment; then he

"I would 'a' liked to try one more run with the fellers-Micky Daly was most always ahead. He's a peach sprinter. You tell him and Jimmy and the other fellers about-about me and the wide river. Tell 'em this time I-I ain't lubber last!"

And he slipped away to find that unknown river, the bravest of little pio-

Trouble In the Royal Palace.

The Shakespeare club of New Orleans used to give amateur theatrical performances that were distinguished for the local prominence of the actors. Once a social celebrity, with a gorgeous costume, as one of the lords in "The queen has swooned." As be stepped forward his friends applauded vociferously. Bowing his thanks, he faced the king and said in a very high pitched voice, "The swoon has queened."

There was a roar of laughter, but he walted patiently and made another at-

"The sween has cooned." Again the walls trembled, and the stage manager said in a voice which could be heard all over the house. "Come off, you doggoned fool!"

But the ambitious amateur refused to surrender, and in a rasping falsetto as he was assisted from the stage he screamed, "The coon has sweened!"-Success Magazine.

#### THE CAMERA.

of the Wonderful Things of Which It Is Capable.

The camera, which divides time into thousandths of a second and records the impressions of each, makes permalacing would not come untied. A savnent pictures of events which pass too age rage filled him. If he could have quickly for the dull human retina to cut off his foot to rid himself of the recognize. It is only through the camera that the motions of the wings of have hesitated. You were ruled out if flying birds and of the legs of swift you went into the water with anything cunning animals have been analyzed. To the camera the fuzzy drivers of the swiftly speeding locomotives stand out clear cut and stationary, while him, and as he shook the shoe off at each flying drop of rain in the driven last and made a dive be heard the storm is distinct and seems frozen in its place. The tarpon fisherman, familiar with the first wild leap of the frenzied fish as it casts hook and bait fifty feet in the air, sees first in the finished picture the outstretched gills, the convulsive opening and closing of which had escaped his eye, however closely he may have looked for it.

Often the eye of the camera will decipher documents of which the writing had been substantially obliterated by age, and I have successfully copied with the camera the utterly faded photograph of a classmate of forty years previous and thereby been enabled to present to a grizzled veteran a likeness of his curly haired youth. Changes in the pigment of the skin undiscoverable by the eye appear with distinctness on the sensitive plate, and It is said that ample warning of approaching disease has been thereby

given. By means of the invisible rays lying beyond the violet of the spectrum objects may be photographed in the darkness and, with the aid of the so called X rays, through substances otherwise opaque. When from the darkness of night and storm the forked lightning flashes, the camera makes a vivid and permanent picture of each flery trail. Creatures that travel by night can be "caught" in the brief blaze of a magnesium charged pistol, the flash of which is of too short duration for the creature to move or the dull human eye to recognize the subject .- A. W. Dimock in Van Norden's.

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#### FÄIRFIELD

A good deal of satisfaction was expressed in town yesterday when the result of the examination of the two men who stole Mr. John N. Jackman's chickens, a week ago, was made pub-lic. It is felt that if a severe example is made of these chicken thieves, the business will not be carried on so ex-tensively. After the examination the men were handcuffed and taken to jail. Jacob Sherer, the principal thief, told his story in the court room and plead guilty. He said he and the man, Thomas Rushmeyer, had been drink-ing both beer and whiskey the night of the raid on Jackman's coops. They started out about eleven o'clock with a horse and wagon, and left the team ehind the near by school house. Then taking bags, they stuffed the chickens into them, and drove home getting there about daybreak. Sherer admitted taking the bags of feed, although he was not so charged in the indictment. A young lawyer was present to defend Rushmeyer, and fought off damaging evidence on technicalities as long as they proved serviceable, but without avail, since it was proved by the testimony of Capt. Arnold and De-tective Fox that Rushmeyer had admitted his guilt. The result is what was, to be expected. Both are in jail awaiting trial in Bridgeport. It is known that a day or two after the robbery the man Sherer was about town trying to negotiate for a cheap horse. A well known livery man was approached who said yesterday that it looked as if the thief was going into the business by wholesale with the in-

the business by wholesale with the in-tent of raiding the whole country. It is now hoped the stealing of chickens will soon be a lost art in Fairfield Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Hosmer, of New York, closed their cottage, "Driftwood," at the beach on Monday and

wood," at the beach on Monday and returned to the city.

Mr. and Mrs. George N. Pike, of "Ashland" cottage, returned to Summit, N. J., yesterday for the season.

One day last week Mr. Harry S. Glover went out shooting and came home empty handed. This is the first

During the vacation the interior of the house has been handsomely decorated, and a Japanese chef has been engaged

for the catering and cooking.

A little Polish girl living with her mother in the family of Henry Burr drank some carbolic acid yesterday which she found in the shed. Dr. Donaldson was called and soon had the little patient out of danger.
Mr. Charles Phelps, Jr., of New York, has recently bought a farm in

town above Wilson's Mill, on the Blackrock turnpike. The deed is not Selectman Fox and the rest of the board, has made arrangements to oil the new road completed a few weeks

ago in the Stratfield district. The distance is not far from a mile and a half

On Sunday the Rubber shop team played the Star Juniors, winnig with a score of 12 to 6.

Mr. Harry Sherwood, of Mill Plain,

who has been having a run of fever, was able to sit up on Sunday, and yes-terday he took quite a long ride in the sunshine and fresh air Mrs. Hidu, an old and poor Hungar-ian woman, is dead at Greenfield Hill.

time he has been stumped in 26 years. The is above 70 years of age.

The Hargrove school reopens this week with a large attendance of young men who are preparing for college.

The steeple jack who repaired the spire of St. Paul's recently, is making preparations to regild the cross on the spire of St. Thomas' church.

#### **BREAKS LOOSE** AGAINST YALE

ALDERMAN LOOS DECLARES CAMPUS RULE EXCLUSION OF COLLECTORS AIDS REPUDIATION OF \$250,000 DEBT.

The sensation of the session of the New Haven board of aldermen held last evening was the talk of Alderman Loos on the relations of Yale and New Haven. His talk was occasioned by ago in the Stratfield district. The distance is not far from a mile and a half and the cost is estimated at \$450.

It is reported that there is something the matter with the clockwork device which was to regulate the electric plant recently installed by Mr. O. G. Jennings. To the surprise of the public, the lights burn all day along Benson's road to the castle on the hill, but go out at night. A mistake is said to have been made in setting the time on the device which regulates the matter, and instead of turning on the electricity in the evening it turns it off. ter, and instead of turning on the electricity in the evening it turns it off.
And what is worse there is a report that the electrician has returned to New York. However, the presumption is he will soon be sent for to adjust the workings of the device.

Mrs. J. E. Wills has returned to Southport from New Milford.

Sunday last Judge and Mrs. A. D. Penny had for guests Mr. and Mrs. Timothy Cummings of Bridgeport.

Mrs. Harriet Hoyt has gone south for the winter.

Mrs. Phineas T. Ives of Meriden is the guest of Miss Josie Sherwood.

Miss Lizzie Nichols of New York is the guest of Mrs. Elizabeth Hyde.
On Sunday the Rubber shop team

tem of representation prevented any results as men elected by 40 votes had as much to say about it as he and his colleague and the system of represent-ation in Connecticut which he said ha did not believe the heart of Russia would stand for prevented any influence in the matter.

Fresh experiments are to be tried with a method of long distance submarine telephony invented several years ago by a Columbia University professor which consists of the introduction of choking coils in the cable.





## Hunting With Roosevelt in East Africa

Illustrated with 30 Exclusive Photographs by Warrington Dawson, a Member of the Roosevelt Expedition

Theodore Roosevelt was not accompanied into the hunting grounds of East Africa by the army of journalists and photographers who followed him to Mombasa. Several hardy news gatherers attempted to follow the party, but were firmly turned back. So that only one writer, Mr. Warrington Dawson, had the good fortune to go farther than Nairoba.

The only photographs of the Roosevelt expedition in the hunting groundswith the exception of those taken by Kermit Roosevelt—are the photographs taken by Mr. Dawson. HAMPTON'S MAGAZINE has secured the exclusive right to publish these photographs. The first of them appear in .

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